

MINUTES OF PACIFIC TOWN BOARD MEETING

November 18, 2003 (following Special Meeting) Pacific Town Hall

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Meeting called to order by Acting Chairman Devine at 6:35pm.

Roll Call: Acting Chairman William G. Devine, Supervisor James J. Rager. Chairman Timmie J. Carlin remains hospitalized.

Also Present: Treasurer Curtis M. Humphrey, Clerk Ethel A. Smith.

Others: Aleta Maloney, Michael Matteson, Robert Larson, Diane Larson, Orin Jones, Sally Jones, Irma Brockley, Byron Smith, Doug Dredske, Julie Vanderboom, John Garvin, Steve Banks, Scott Merwin, Greg Scott.

John Garvin-Transmission Lines. John Garvin stated the American Transmission Company's proposal for electric transmission infrastructure improvements in northern Dane and southern Columbia counties. ATC will hold Public Information Open Houses beginning in January. ATC will file project application with the Public Service Commission in March 2004. ATC to receive regulatory decision from Public Service Commission in December 2004. New construction to start in the Spring of 2005. New construction finish in the Spring of 2006. Line in service May 2006. Estimated cost is \$25.3 million. He stated there may be fee payments to affected communities along the route. Fees would be 5% of total project split between county and town. Need a waiver to use fees for other than environmental use.

Motion by Rager/Devine to change the order of the agenda to accommodate those present. All in favor.

Recommendations of the Plan Commission.

Clark Cupery Conditional Use. Mr. Cupery had delivered a letter from the DNR stating that the non-compliance specifically related to this site have been corrected. Plan Commission is waiting for soil test results as was referred to by Mr. Cupery at the Public Hearing. Conditions for use have not been completed. The Town Board tabled this request until December's meeting.

Dave Lichtfeld Rezone Request. Plan Commission reviewed this request and recommended denial. Recent rezones from Agricultural to Residential total 144 acres. There isn't a need for additional land for housing construction. Motion by Devine/Rager to deny this request. All in favor.

Merwin/Marcellino Request for Variance. Scott Merwin's request was to build an addition to his house closer to his pie shaped lot line, than the present 14 ft. His lot is not within a subdivision. His plans would take him to 11 ft. Plan Commission recommended that Mr. Merwin redesign his plans to stay with the current set back. Motion by Devine/Rager to stay within the present set back. All in favor.

Mitchell request for Rezone from Commercial to Industrial. No information to act on.

Robert & Diane Larson Request to Use Right of Way. Motion by Devine/Rager to approve upon execution of agreement being drafted by Rob Roth. All in favor. The Larsons shall deliver a copy of the recorded document to the Clerk before a building permit is issued.

Pride of America Campground Expansion. Tabled for more complete information.

Appoint Plan Commission Members. Tabled.

Resolution for Development of a Comprehensive Plan. Motion by Devine/Rager for:

Resolution #11-03-1.

Whereas, the Wisconsin Legislature has established a "Smart Growth Law" that requires the Town of Pacific to develop a comprehensive plan in accordance with Chapter 66.1001 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and

Whereas, the governing local body of a local government unit shall adopt written procedures that are designed to foster public participation during preparation of a comprehensive plan, and

Whereas, the resolution shall constitute the written procedures designed to foster public participation in accordance with Chapter 66.1001(4)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes;

Therefore, be it resolved that public participation in the development of the Town of Pacific Comprehensive Plan may include but not be limited to the following activities: Town public meetings to provide an opportunity for public input and to explain and discuss the elements and progress of the comprehensive Plan with relevant information to be posted on a web site. Press releases will be sent to the local newspaper to announce community meetings. Written comments on all subjects pertaining to the development of this plan shall be encouraged. An address to forward written comments shall be provided in meeting notices and will be responded to at public meetings. In addition all information items used and produced by the Town of Pacific will be made available to the public at the Columbia County Planning and Zoning Department and the Pacific Town Hall.

All of which is respectfully submitted this 18th day of November 2003.

Adopted this 18th day of November, 2003

(signed)

William G. Devine, Acting Chairman

(signed)

James J. Rager, Supervisor

All in favor by voice vote.

Tom Newman - Gym Use. Doug Dredsky and Steve Banks were present to answer questions from the board. Their request was to be able to use the gym on Monday and Thursday each week from December 1 through the end of February from 5pm to 8pm. Two teams from the Boys and Girls Club practicing 1 1/2 hrs each. Chairman Devine requested a new form including the name of the Town of Pacific being held harmless. Motion by Devine/Rager to allow the Boys and Girls Club use of the gym from 5-8pm on Mondays and Thursdays pending approval of a hold harmless agreement signed by all participants parents and contingent upon approval by CESA 5. All in favor.

Jakes Borough. Street signs have been place by the county. Clerk has received the bill and sent it on to Ideal Homes for payment.

Ordinance Book. Plan commission is waiting for the Driveway Ordinance.

Land Use Plan. Three firms were contacted and expressed interest in developing a Land Use Plan and Comprehensive Plan to comply with State's mandate for Smart Growth. Include an impact study. A special meeting for interviews shall be on November 25.

Recycling Center. Greg Scott appeared and delivered the County's application for a Waste Hauler's Permit. There was one complaint from Gordon Dezoute because of odor. It was caused by the door being left open.

Pacific School. CESA 5 has \$12,000. to spend on repairs to the school. Will be replacing the water bubbler.

Cemetery. Supervisor Rager will meet with Russell Shaw to see the progress on computer entries and report at the next meeting.

Road Work. Rocks placed by Warren Rebholz are still lining the corner of First St in the Lakeside Subdivision. The roads are substandard. Supervisor Rager will check on our road rights and bring findings to next meeting.

Develop Webb Site. Aleta Maloney has given information for Gene Mucciolo to put on the web. She's been working on a town log.

Insurance. Motion by Devine/Rager to increase the Town's coverage.

Operator Licenses. Motion by Devine/Rager to approve applications by Christopher Barreau and Catherine Allds.

Handicap Entrance. Chairman Devine to contact Jim Hall.

Accounting System. Motion by Devine/Rager to go with Sorge CPA, Monona Dr., Madison for help with the Quick Books accounting system and to use them for our off site backup.

Current Bills. Motion by Rager/Devine to approve payment of current bills with checks numbered 8187 through 8208. Motion by Devine/Rager to transfer \$400,000. from Money Market checking with check #1007 to Wisconsin Pooled Fund. Supervisor Rager will meet with Treasurer Humphrey and make copies of contents of Town's lock box at Associated Bank for the Clerk's records.

Citizen Concerns. Letter from Chris Smith about possibility of speed limit signs being posted in Lake George Subdivision. Chairman Devine stated an application would have to be made to a Standing Committee. Kurt Dey would know who to talk to. She will be on next month's agenda.

Motion by Rager/Devine to adjourn. (9:50pm)

Ethel A. Smith, Clerk

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